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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on August 12, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as indicated below.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 8 of this paper.